

IPRS Statewide Rollout Meeting Minutes January 10, 2002

8:30 - 10:00am - Albemarle CR 679 "DD"

Meeting Representatives:

Gary Imes	IT Section	Mark Robeson	Lee-Harnett	(absent)
Jean Revenew	IT Section	Art Eccleston	Director's Office	(absent)
Betty Cogswell	IT Section	Rick Debell	Budget Office	
Anita Curtis	IT Section (absent)	Jim Ryals	DIRM	
Deborah Merrill	IT Section	Shawn Holland	DIRM	(absent)
Rick Olson	DIRM	Joyce Sims	EDS	
Mary Tripp	Program Acct.	Sharlene Bryant	EDS	
		Paul Carr	EDS	

Visitors: None scheduled

Meeting Facilitator: Gary Imes

Meeting Format: Open Discussion

1) Review and Approve Minutes

The 11/15/02 and 12/13/02 meeting minutes require review before posting to the web.

2) Announcements (Gary Imes)

- The IPRS Steering Committee meeting of January 15 (a meet-me call) has been canceled. The next meeting will be February 19 (an in-person meeting). Gary will ask the committee to consider meeting quarterly, rather than monthly.
- Wake County's question about the option of continuing to receive a "CD" in addition to an "835" is being researched by EDS. The problem preventing sending an 835 for Medicaid has been solved and will run in production this checkwrite (1/10/03). Paul Carr will inform Wake County of the status by COB, January 10.
- Gary is pleased with the progress to-date with a total of 13 area programs now running IPRS in production.
- The December IPRS status report has been distributed to DMH senior management. Gary asked Rick Olson to distribute the report to the IPRS Steering Committee.
- The Monday IPRS Operations meeting is starting to evolve from its focus on IPRS implementation to the support of the IPRS operations environment. Gary will be inviting representatives from the Division's sections that directly support IPRS production.
- Related to the State Plan, Gary Imes said that the week of January 12, his team would start reviewing the IT sections of Local Business Plans recently submitted by five area programs.
- The Division's reorganization is scheduled to be complete by March 31, 2003. The new management team will continue to be obligated to provide resources to support the operation of IPRS.

3) IPRS Implementation Status (Betty Cogswell)

- On December 1, Mecklenburg decided to migrate from several different Client ID formats to one using six digits. With 10,000 to 12,000 clients (at three minutes each) they anticipate finishing mid-January and by 1/19 having clinicians start establishing eligibility. Assuming continued success with 837 testing, a mid-February move to IPRS is anticipated.
- Southeastern Regional is planning their move to IPRS January 10. Tideland may go January 24 or February 7.

3) IPRS Operations Support

- IPRS Rates Maintenance

- i) Rick DeBell mentioned that management is now determining how to move funds to support the category of "Emergency Services". Rick believes the account should be available by the end of January. Gary asked Rick and Betty Cogswell to work together to complete documentation of the final solution, including a schedule showing the availability of the account. Joyce Sims said EDS would insert the information into a "Provider Bulletin" upon its completion.
 - ii) Rick DeBell said that there are still questions related to CTSP rates. He and Elizabeth are addressing the questions and will communicate their findings.
 - b) Gary said that Division policy questions related to providing services to "illegal aliens" have been referred to Lanier Cansler.
 - c) The group discussed the current schedule for submitting file maintenance and agreed that it needed some revisions. Joyce Sims will contact Deborah Merrill to schedule a meeting.
- 4) Other**
- a) Betty Cogswell said the Division Workgroup has discussed the need to put edits into IPRS for certain age and units-of-service and are now documenting requirements. Jean Revenew will send EDS a CSR as soon as the requirements are clear. Prior approval will also have to be updated to allow area programs the flexibility to still provide the requested service.
 - b) Olmstead services – Laura White is documenting problems associated with tracking that population group. She will send her document to Gary's group for review, finalizing and distribution.
 - c) CAP claims – The topic was discussed by the group and decided that area programs could submit CAP claims using IPRS which gets to Medicaid (DS-L is currently doing this). A CSR will request that the system produce an 835 to the area program.
 - d) Mary Tripp said that the new Service Definitions should be posted to the web site by COB January 10, 2003. The area programs will be notified by email that the information is available.
 - e) EDS announcements - Joyce Sims
 - i) DMA is developing documentation about the upcoming System Freeze. Joyce will copy Gary when the information is available.
 - ii) EDS has completed its assessment of physical security related to IPRS and MMIS+.
 - iii) The latest version of the MMIS+ RFI should be distributed January 27.
 - iv) The system release process will be discussed at the 1/15 IPRS Core Team meeting.

Next Meeting
January 24, 2003
8:30 – 10:00am